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SUBJECT: ISRAELI SUSPENSION ISSUE

REFS: (A) STATE 170841; (B) STATE 175558

1. DURING GENERAL DISCUSSION WITH FONOFF DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS LUCAS NKWETTA ZAA ON SECTY'S JULY 14 SPEECH ON UN (REF A) AND US LEGAL POSITION ON ISRAELI SUSPENSION ISSUE (REF B), NKWETTA ZAA EXPRESSED SATISFACTION OVER AFRICAN REFUSAL AT KAMPALA OAU MTG TO SUPPORT MOVE TO EXPEL OR SUSPEND ISRAEL FROM UN PARTICIPATION. STATED CAMEROON AMONG AFRICAN COUNTRIES NOT PREPARED "AT THIS TIME" TO VOTE FOR EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION. COMMENTED THAT WHILE SUBJECT COULD OF COURSE BE INTRODUCED AND PUSED TO VOTE AT UNGA BY ANTI-ISRAEL MILITANTS, IT CLEAR THAT MANY AFRICANS WOULD ABSTAIN OR VOTE AGAINST.

2. COMMENT: FROM DISCUSSIONS WITH NUMBER OF CAMEROONIANS OVER PAST FEW WEEKS, THERE NO DOUBT THAT US MTG HAS GOTTEN THROUGH HERE THAT EXPULSION/SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL WOULD ENTAIL GRAVE NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES THAT WOULD SERVE NO ONE'S INTERESTS. MANY CAMEROONIANS HAVE LONG FREELY EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AT
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LACK OF ARAB PAYOFF FOR BLACK AFRICAN SUPPORT, THOUGH OFFICIAL

GURC LINE CONTINUING STRESS (A) THAT SUPPORT FOR ARABS IS
BASED ON PRINCIPLE AND (B) THAT SIGNIFICANT ARAB-AFRICAN
"COOPERATION" (I.E., AID) WILL INDEED MATERIALIZE. ALTHOUGH
GURC'S INCLINATION IS AGAINST EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION, IT MORE
LIKELY STRADDLE CONTENTIOUS ISSUE BY ABSTAINING INSTEAD OF
VOTING AGAINST, AND WOULD PROBABLY FLOAT ALONG WITH ANY
BROADLY DEVELOPING THIRD WORLD CURRENT SHOULD THE TIDE CHANGE.
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